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May 20, 2004

### HAPPENINGS

- Don't miss the 2004 Summer Encampment, June 19th—25th.
- Mark your calendars...June 6th will be a fun time for all at the Squadron BBQ and Pool Party.
- On June 12th, we'll be working the show at the Etowah Bend airport. Come on out and support your Squadron.

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## THE THEME THAT SUMMED UP THE CONFERENCE WAS COOPERATION

### Commander's Corner

#### From:

Captain Tom Calvanelli

I attended my first Georgia Wing Conference this past weekend at Robbins Air Force Base in Macon Georgia, and I was very pleased by what I experienced. We are a part of a very active and vibrant Wing. All the squadrons of the state were represented by both senior members and cadets, but I was amazed by the number of cadets that I saw.

The one theme that I thought summed up the conference for me was "cooperation". From the Wing Commander to the squadron commanders to the individual cadets that I spoke with, they all wanted to learn from one another to improve their individual members, and their respective units.

We, as a squadron, are already on this path. We are going to work with other squadrons in the group in a couple of events, Resaca and the Dobbins Air Show. But I want you to think of this

"cooperation" in more ways than just another squadron or two. Think in terms of the rest of the Georgia Wing. We can interact with other squadrons in many ways. For you cadets, and seniors, the upcoming summer encampment is probably the best event for this. You will meet and work with cadets from all over the state, you can talk about what your squadron is doing, and learn what others are doing. I promise you, it will be a very good experience, one that you will always remember.

The deadline for  
2004 Summer Encampment  
is June 1st.

You can download  
the package at  
**http://  
AceAir-  
craft.net.encampment.htm**

See you there



*Strength of the Nation*  
by Dr. Ilana Mor

**FLYING EAGLES  
BARTOW-ETOWAH  
SQUADRON**

## **Tales From A Life Traveler** **by Dr. Ilana Mor, Moral Leadership Officer**

On APRIL 22nd, the Squadron celebrated **EARTH DAY**. The evening began with an interactive discussion of the condition of the planet from the viewpoint of the Iroquois Confederacy, the oldest official body of Native people who have survived in North America. The Squadron agreed that there was a need for concern and that each person must take a part in the fight to save the planet from extinction.

After the discussion, in a hands-on activity to respect the earth, Squadron Cadets filled the flower beds with plants and mulch. A good time was had by all.



Plants from the back of the jeep  
were planted in front of  
the trailers at Squadron headquarters  
in remembrance of Earth Day.



*The Master's Pallet*  
by Dr. Ilana Mor

**The road to peace for all  
mankind  
begins with  
understanding  
human sameness  
and  
respecting  
human differences.**

The Master's Pallet  
By Dr. Ilana Mor 5/30/01

By Divine Order,  
man has been given dominion over the earth...  
With harmony and peace the ultimate plan.  
A world filled with beauty...  
Painted from the Master's pallet  
with the colors of the rainbow.

The music of the ages whispers through the trees  
And birds glide effortlessly through the skies.  
All creatures both great and small  
Celebrate the great gift and miracle of Life.

And man...man is the greatest creation of all...  
Made in the images of the Divine...  
And given superior intelligence and freedom of choice.

Oh man...rise to your true noble stature.  
Rise above your state of confusion and disharmony.  
Do not destroy the Master's gifts  
And imprison creatures behind bars  
to prevent their extinction.  
Only a lack of harmony could cause one  
to force another into a prison.

Do not pollute and do not destroy...  
Do not poison the earth, seas, and skies.  
Oh man...you must change your ways!!  
You must rise above your petty thoughts and deeds.

Embrace the Master's gifts with love and joy...  
*Listen to the sounds of the earth*  
*And join in the harmony of life.*

**CALL  
TO ALL  
HUMANS**

**HELP  
SAVE THE  
PLANET**

It is necessary to change our  
ways  
in order to survive.

There is  
no more time.



# Coming in June

Stories from the Past...Dreams for the Future



## CAP: A Multi-generational Tradition



**THE BARTOW-ETOWAH COMPOSITE SQUADRON:GA 129  
THE JACK GEIGER COMPLEX**

CADET  
CA-



**Meet Three Outstanding  
Cadet Leaders**

(from right to left)  
Cadets  
Calvanelli, Blake, and Posada



# \$quadron Finances

by Captain Pat Bestafka, Finance Officer

At the Bartow-Etawah Composite Squadron, we try to give our Cadets all that we can. However, we need the help of the Cadets. You may be asking yourself...How may we help? It's simple...By paying your dues of \$3.00 per month.

You may pay by the month or by the year. It is not a difficult task to pay by the month and not let your dues accumulate. This also applies to the Senior Members as well.

**WE NEED THE  
HELP OF  
THE CADETS  
AND  
SENIOR MEMBERS.**

\$ \$  
HELP THE SQUADRON  
PAY  
YOUR MONTHLY DUES  
\$ \$

We are not a wealthy Squadron, and we have financial responsibilities which we must meet every month. We try to teach our Cadets responsibility and one example of this is to pay your dues each month on time.

Dues are to be paid on the first Thursday of every month. CAP regulations state that promotions may not be awarded if the individual's dues are not up-to-date.

If you need assistance, or to see if you have a balance owed, contact Capt. Bestafka, If you have a problem paying your dues for any reason, please feel free to contact me in private. Thank you.



**DUES ARE TO BE PAID  
ON THE FIRST THURSDAY  
OF EVERY MONTH.**

\$

# FROM THE SUPPLY ROOM

## The Care and Feeding of Your Web Gear

By  
Major Geiger

Do you...yes, you Cadet!...  
know what items make up your web gear?  
THOUGHT SO!

Well, let's start at the shoulders and work our way down.

**1. What are "Y" or "H" suspenders?** you ask. They are the load bearing suspenders of your web gear. Some are in the shape of a "Y" with two support hooks in front that connect to the eyelet on your ammo/storage pouches on your web belt. And have two small upside Y connectors that attach to your butt pack. They look like a Y, OK!

Now for the old "H" type suspenders that I prefer you not use. Some cadets swear by them. Well not literally! They are the same deal as the Y accept the support is spread out like an H in the back. The hooks come loose easily and can break off entirely. OK, so much for those. Just make sure all the hooks are functional and the steel D rings on your chest straps are not rusted or coming off.

**2. Your compass pouch/signal mirror pouch.** Some cadets attach this pouch upside down so they will have easy access to their compass or signal mirror. If you don't have either one attached to a safety string, you have lost them if the pouch is accidentally unsnapped. Oh yeah! Check your belt keeper on this also. If that's not working you've lost everything. Get it replaced if it's broken.

### **3. Alright, now for the canteen(s).**

Did you store them away with some kind of funky drink in them and forgot to empty them out and wash them out?

Makes it twice as hard to get it clean and ready for the next time you need it.

Well, pour about a cap full of bleach in it, then fill it about half full of water.

Screw the cap on tight and shake it vigorously. Then rinse it out several times with water. Alright, turn it upside down and let it drain. Prop it up some how upside down on a paper towel and let it air out.

Did you rinse out your canteen cup after you heated up your hot chocolate at frost-bite or did you just stuff back into your canteen cove?

Don't bring it to me with that  
crusted-on, burnt-on chocolate crud  
and expect me to swap it out.  
"NOT HAPPNIN!!!"

Boil some water in it first. Then use a scouring pad with a mild dishwashing detergent to get the crud out. Then see if MOM will let you put it in the dish washer.

If NOT, you deserve it.

**4. Canteen covers...** clean with a damp rag or washcloth. Check the **belt keepers** for mud or dirt. Make sure they are functional. Ah yes...your **ammo pouches** or **storage pouches** or place where you keep your candy bars or *Slim Jims*. Same deal, check for cleanliness inside and out. Nothing worse than finding a half-eaten candy bar with dead ants or a *Slim Jim* with mold on in your pouch as you get ready to restock it.

**5. Now, your butt pack.** Check it for cleanliness. Most important, check to make sure you have all the items you need from your 24 hour pack list.

What ever you can replenish yourself, do so.  
Some things you'll have to come see me. Maybe **chemlight, trail marking tape**,etc.

6. Make sure your **support eyelets** are ok and not torn out of the webbing. Check your **belt keepers** for workability. Last, but not least, your **web belt**. Check your **quick release buckle** for workability. Clean the dirt and mud out of it. If it is broken and will not stay snapped, bring it to me. Check out all the eyelets on your belt for dirt or mud. Check out all the adjustment catches and make sure they are clean and functional. Now brush and wipe the whole thing down.

7. Now! **Put it all back together and make the adjustments you need** to it so it will be comfortable. You may have to wear it for long periods of time.

8. You'll notice I did not mention **the entrenching tool**. This is optional. It is heavy and gets in the way on your web gear. Try to find a place on your back-pack to strap it to. You'll thank me.

**IF YOU TAKE CARE OF YOUR GEAR  
IT WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU!!**

AS YOU WERE...  
CARRY ON...  
I'LL BE IN THE AREA.

MAJ. GEIGER



SQUADRON ACTIVITIES  
TAKE THE CADETS AND SENIORS TO  
BEAUTIFUL NATURAL SETTINGS



**Next month**  
**Can't wait!!**  
**Maj.G**

## UPCOMING SQUADRON EVENTS

**May 14,15,16  
June 6th**

Reenactment at Resaca, GA.  
Squadron Pool Party and Picnic  
(Cadets, Cadets' Parents, & Senior Members Invited)

**June 12  
June 19-25**

Work Air Show at the Etowah Bend airport  
Cadet Summer Encampment

You can go to the National Website at [www.cap.gov](http://www.cap.gov) and look up CAP Regulation 52-16 Cadet Program Management to get an idea of what is going on.



### TIDBITS

#### LAST MONTH'S SQUADRON ACTIVITIES

**April 24  
May 7, 8, 9**

**GA Wing 2004 Conference  
NAS Atlanta Air show.**



#### TWO WAYS TO SUBMIT AN ARTICLE FOR THE FLYING EAGLES NEWSLETTER:

1. GIVE A COPY OF THE ARTICLE TO SENIOR MEMBER KLEIN OR DR.MOR.
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